



Date: Tuesday, December 12, 2023

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School - Media Center

Approved 1-9-2024

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

This meeting will be streamed on YouTube at:

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AGENDA

1 mins. A. Call of Quorum and Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance: Andrew Bessette, Jamie Kleinman, Laurie Marquis, Matthew Pritchard, William Sweeney, Christine Winton

Administrators: Dr. Christopher Bitgood, Superintendent; Garrette Dukette, Principal BMS

Dr. Bitgood called the meeting to order at 7:04PM

20 mins. B. Special Purpose/Recognition

1. Elections of BOE Officers

Motion: Nomination of Laurie Marquis to serve as BOE Chair

By: William Sweeny

Second: Jamie Kleinman

All in favor. Motion Passes

Motion: Nomination of William Sweeney to serve as BOE Vice Chair

By: Jamie Kleinman

Second: Christine Winton

All in favor. Motion Passes

Motion: Nomination of Jamie Kleinman to serve as BOE Secretary

By: Christine Winton

Second: William Sweeney

All in favor. Motion Passes

2. BOE Committee Assignments

Policy: William Sweeney and Laurie Marquis

Facilities: William Sweeney, Laurie Marquis, Matthew Pritchard

Negotiations: Jamie Kleinman, Christine Winton

Finance: Laurie Marquis, Andrew Bessette

CABE: Matthew Pritchard

EASTCONN: Jamie Kleinman

CIP: Matthew Pritchard

Woodstock Board of Trustees: Andrew Bessette

PTO: Christine Winton

SEAC: Jamie Kleinman

3 mins/prs C. Public Comments -**NONE**

Any citizen may appear before the Board to express his/her opinion concerning the educational program of the district. The Board directs that any discussion of specific Board employees will not be allowed at meetings and should be addressed to that employee's immediate supervisor. The Board agenda provides opportunities for comments and questions from persons attending the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Board should give their names and addresses. Board members may respond to citizen comment, but the Chairperson may, at his/her discretion, establish any reasonable time limits for comments and response.

45 mins. D. Presentations and Actions

1. Superintendent's Written and Oral Reports

a. General Updates

b. Students' Report

c. Administrators' Reports

d. Enrollment

e. December Financial Report

f. Personnel Report

Resignation

None

New Hire 2023-2024

None

Position Change 2023-2024

None

g. Authorized Signature Change Form - ED-099 Agreement for
Child Nutrition Program (possible action)

Motion: To name Dr. Christopher Bitgood as the authorized signatory for ED-099 Agreement

By: William Sweeney

Second: Christine Winton

All in favor. Motion Passes

2. FY24 Budget Process

10 mins. E. Committee Reports

1. Policy Committee
2. Facilities Committee
3. Finance Committee
4. Liaison Reports
 - a. EASTCONN
 - b. Woodstock Board of Trustees
 - c. CABE
 - d. Parent Teacher Organization
 - e. Special Education Advisory Council

1 mins. F. Correspondence

1. BOE Vacancies Letters of Intent

5 mins. G. Consent Agenda

1. BOE Regular Meeting Minutes November 14, 2023

Motion: To accept Consent Agenda

By: William Sweeney

Second: Christine Winton

Yes: Jamie Kleinman, Laurie Marquis, William Sweeney, Christine Winton

Abstain: Andrew Bessette, Matthew Pritchard

Motion Passes

H. Executive Session Transportation

Motion: To move to Executive Session to discuss upcoming negotiations with the transportation bargaining unit and invite the Superintendent, Dr. Christopher Botgood

By: William Sweeney

Second: Christine Winton

All in favor. Motion Passes 7:45PM.

End Executive Session 8:18PM

Motion: To authorize the Superintendent, Dr. Christopher Botgood to negotiate and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the bus drivers and increase their pay by \$2.25/hour starting 1/1/2024.

By: William Sweeney

Second: Jamie Kleinman

All in favor. Motion Passes.

1 mins. I. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn at 8:20PM

By: William Sweeney

Second: Jamie Kleinman

All in favor. Motion Passes.

Respectfully submitted by: Jamie Kleinman, Secretary

CPS Mission Statement:

In collaboration with our community, the Canterbury Public Schools will develop, foster, and cultivate all students to their highest potential, through rigorous academics within a safe, nurturing, and respectful environment.